# City of Longmont HOA Training: How was our HOA formed? Why did the City require one and what documents should every HOA have?

11 Steps to Forming an HOA
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#### **How was our HOA formed?**

- A developer meets with the City staff to discuss a development idea.
- 2. City staff fills out a preapplication conference form.
- 3. The developer hires consultants to prepare the required plans for review.



- 4. A developer hires an attorney to prepare HOA documents.
- 5. City staff reviews the application for conformance to City codes.
- 6. Planning Commission and or City Council approve the proposal.

- 7. The developer forms an HOA to maintain any private improvements or property.
- 8. The developer begins construction of the subdivision.
  - The developer is responsible for public infrastructure and private improvements.
  - The developer is not responsible for home construction.



9. The City inspects all public improvements and some private improvements within the development to ensure the subdivision is built per the approved plans and to the City's Standards and Specifications.



- 10. When the developer has completed the infrastructure work, the City issues Construction Acceptance for the development.
  - Starts a one year warranty period on the public infrastructure.
  - Allows the developer to begin construction of homes within the development.

- 11. After the one year warranty has been met, the developer may request the city to issue final acceptance of the public infrastructure.
  - This step transfers ownership of the public improvements from the developer to the City.
  - All public infrastructure accepted by the City becomes the City's responsibility to maintain and repair.

#### Why did the City require an HOA?

HOA Maintenance Requirements

#### Typical HOA Maintenance Requirements







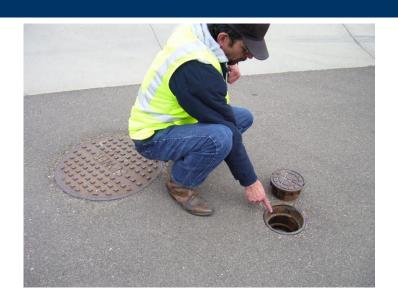




 All outlots dedicated to the HOA as identified on the Final Subdivision Plat recorded at the County Clerk and Recorders

 All landscaping areas and sidewalks adjacent to the streets not maintained by a home owner.







• All under drain systems within the subdivision.

All lift stations
 associated with under
 drain systems in the
 subdivision.





 All irrigation systems in outlots dedicated to the HOA.



# **Irrigation Systems in Outlots**









 All permanent Best Management Practices (BMPs) for erosion/sediment and water quality control built in the subdivision such as:

# Detention and water quality ponds with associated outlet structures and outlet pipes.









# Water quality structures, swales, channels, private storm sewer pipes, etc., as specified in the approved plans.









All fencing in outlots dedicated to the HOA.





 All trees and shrubs within outlots dedicated to the HOA.

 Marking the location of any private utilities if a request is made for locates for any work within an outlot owned by the HOA and the public rightof-way.



# What documents should every HOA have?

9 Documents HOA's Should Have

- A copy of your subdivisions Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&Rs) that are recorded with the County Clerk and Recorder
- A copy of the articles of incorporation for your subdivision filed with the Secretary of States Office
- A copy of the entire recorded plat for your subdivision including any cover sheets.

- A copy of a final development plan approved by the City of Longmont and on file with the Planning and Development Division.
  - This document is only required for Planned Unit Developments and may not be applicable to your subdivision.

- A copy of the as-built irrigation plans for all outlots owned and maintained by the HOA.
  - This is a new requirement initiated by City Council in 2008 and most older subdivisions will not have this document.
- A copy of **under drain report** approved during the development review process.

- A copy of the as-built plans of any under drain system, the locations of the under drain cleanouts, and associated equipment including lift stations.
- A list of City contacts and private utility contacts.

- A copy of maintenance agreement for the permanent BMPs.
  - This is a new requirement to comply with the Stormwater Discharge Permit.
  - The City of Longmont is identified as Phase 2 City in the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES).